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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2810, relative to individual health insurance renewability.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2810, is amended by inserting the following language as a new subsection to be designated subsection (g):

(g) At the time of coverage renewal, a health insurance issuer may not modify the premium rate for an individual's policy unless such premium modification is consistent with Tennessee law and effective on a uniform basis among all individuals with that policy who are classified by the issuer within a particular age class, consisting of persons of no less than five (5) years in difference by age, and who are classified within a particular risk class by the issuer, provided that the risk class assesses only risks other than the individual's current health condition.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it, and shall be effective for contracts that are entered into, modified or renewed on or after that date.